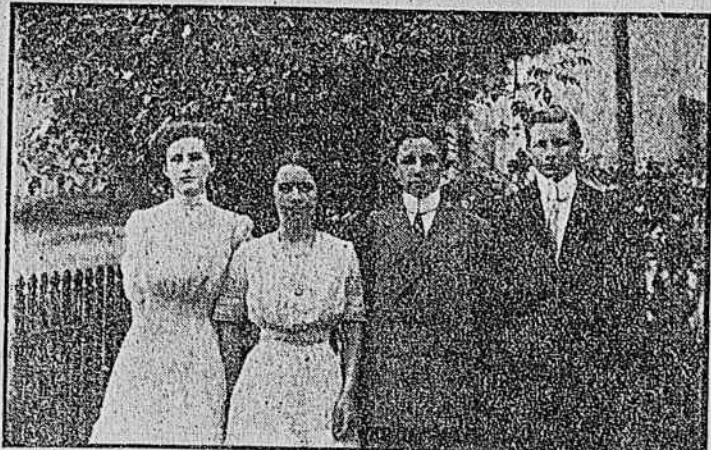


Graduating Class, Waverly High School



Willie Steele, Martin, class historian and winner of scholarship medal; Ada Fleetwood, Oscar Henry West, class orator and winner of prize for best essay; Barry Wetzel, president and giffordian.

Interesting Commencement Exercises Held During Past Week.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Waverly, Va., June 3.—The closing exercises of the Waverly High School were held in the High School auditorium on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. The program on Thursday evening consisted of class exercises, Harry Wetzel, class president, presided. The history of the class and prophesies to its future were read by Miss Willie S. Martin. Miss Ada Fleetwood read the prophecy, as to Miss Martin, the class prophet. Oscar H. West, who had been elected class orator, delivered the oration, his subject being "The New South." The Glee Club and John W. West, Jr., violinist, furnished music for the occasion.

On Friday evening the annual address to the graduating class was delivered by Dr. W. S. Currell, professor of English at Washington and Lee University, who was appropriately introduced by Colonel Robert W. Arnold. This was Dr. Currell's first appearance in Waverly, and a packed house greeted him. His address was scholarly and eloquent.

The scholarship medal was presented to Miss Willie Steele Martin by Judge J. P. West, and the prize for the best essay was awarded to Oscar H. West by Thomas H. Howerton, Esq. The certificates to the graduates in the normal department were presented by W. W. Edwards, division superintendent of schools for Sussex and Prince George counties. The diplomas were awarded by Professor O. B. Ryder, principal of the school. The graduates of the High School are Miss Willie Steele Martin, Miss Ada Fleetwood, Oscar Henry West and Barry Wetzel. The graduates in the normal department are Miss Alma DeVetta Camp, Miss Helen Elliot, Oscar Henry West and Barry Wetzel.

Margaret Sanborn spent Tuesday in Edinburg. T. T. K. and J. L. T. Dickinson are spending several days in Baltimore. Miss Laura Phillips, of Greensboro, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. J. L. T. Dickinson.

Gordonsville Neighborhood News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Gordonsville, Va., June 3.—One of the most delightful social events of the early summer was a linen shower given at Springfields on Friday from 4 until 6 o'clock, by Mrs. John W. F. Ruffin, in honor of Miss Martin Sampson, whose wedding will take place on June 7. Red and green was the color scheme. The entire lower floor was thrown open to the guests, and was profusely decorated with roses and ferns. Refreshments were served on the Colonial porch, small bags of rice being used for place-cards. The guests were Miss Sampson, Mrs. E. A. Sampson, Mrs. Sam W. McElroy, Miss Beas McElroy, Miss Laura Newman, Miss Ashley Davis, Mrs. Allen Potts, Mrs. H. H. Hudson, Mrs. George Tyler, Cowherd and Miss Mamie Sampson.

Mrs. Hugh H. Hudson spent a few days at Springfields this week, the guest of Mrs. John W. F. Ruffin. Mrs. Sam W. McElroy, of Maple Spring, is visiting relatives and friends in Pittsburg, Pa.

John F. W. Ruffin, of "Springfields," and George Tyler, Cowherd were Orange visitors on Saturday.

Mrs. B. H. Ellington, of Richmond, is at "Windsor," her summer home, near Gordonsville.

Thomas Atkinson and family are enjoying their summer home, "Rocklands."

Colonel and Mrs. Cameron and the Misses Cameron are in Harrisonburg attending the Cameron-Angell wedding.

Mrs. G. T. Cowherd is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Camper, near Orange.

Mrs. W. Wilbur Osborne spent a few days this week in Orange, with her parents, Captain and Mrs. Wambert.

James W. Graves was a week-end visitor at "Lower Springfields," the guest of W. Wilbur Osborne.

Miss Mary Scott, of Somerset, is visiting at the home of W. W. Scott, in Gordonsville.

VETERANS OF WAR BETWEEN STATES WHO RECENTLY RECEIVED DEGREES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA



Students who left the University of North Carolina at the beginning of the War between the States to enlist in the armies of the Confederacy. By special act of the university these alumni received during the commencement exercises of the past week the degrees which they relinquished by their service to the South.

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**Young Girls of To-Day**

BY MONSEIGNEUR HENRY BOLO.

Fenelon who was the most admirable and also the most advanced proponent of his time said that young society girls should be taught to be less timid, to read and write correctly. His wish has been more than fulfilled; we have indeed gone far beyond it. Our young society girls of to-day are no longer very timid and almost all are very well educated. Even if this advance were not acknowledged, one must allow that it exists, and it must be admitted that it is true that many of these amiable juveniles, cured of timidity, exaggerate their recovery. I am told that certain salons are frequented by young girls of good birth, but bad breeding, who affect language and conduct which shock even the young men. The little creature with a shy laugh has disappeared from history; another species is attempting to replace it, one which Schoepenhauer would have called the "monkey with a pigtail." But because this young girl of to-day takes liberties like an American, first like an English girl, reads like a Norwegian, is omnivorous and versatile as a Russian, uses her eyes like a Spaniard, and to-morrow may be dressed like a Turk, this is not enough to conclude that she is quite French or even quite Parisian. There is then for us two things to do: First, to encourage this admirable intellectual progress, which had cured our modern young girl of frivolity, guided her towards a higher ideal, made her more conscious of the important part she has to play in the family as well as in society, and which has made it impossible for her to remain satisfied with being a useless ornament or charming parasite. Second, remembering the biblical tradition, called her a supernumerary bone. Then we must declare war against this odious way of thinking, behaving and speaking, which is characteristic of the young girl, who has become a thorn in the flesh of those who still have remnants of principles left, and the plaything of those who no longer respect anything. Finally it ought to be realized even by those who have no faith in the church, that as religious feeling declines, and that we therefore should try to become good Christians. Unfortunately the best remedy is always the one which it is most difficult to make people use.

Williamsburg Social News

Williamsburg, Va., June 3.—The Williams and Mary final began to-morrow morning with the baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. William V. Tudor, D. D. The sermon will be delivered in the college chapel at 10 o'clock. Miss Estelle Kennard and brother, Ben, of Ashland, Ky., are the guests of the Misses Tidwell. Leon Cooley and Ware Warburton have returned from York Union Academy, where they spent the past session. Miss Martha Spencer has gone to Buckroe Beach, where she will spend the summer. Mrs. M. T. Shipman and daughter spent Tuesday in Richmond. Mrs. Dudley Cowles, of Atlanta, Ga., has been the guest this week of Mrs. Norvell L. Henley. The Rev. E. Ruffin Jones, rector, and Dr. Van F. Garrett, senior warden of Bruton Parish church, returned to-day from Roanoke, where they attended the Episcopal Council. Miss Bertha Braithwaite and her guest, Dr. Mary Palm, of California, left to-day for Washington, Baltimore and other points North.

Away From the Land

BY GABRIEL HONATAUX, Member of the French Academy.

"Back to the land! Back to nature!" is the cry of the advocates of the simple life. "The peasants are leaving the land," is the cry heard in all countries. Why does the peasant leave the country? Is he happier in the big cities? Will he not live to regret this desertion of the soil? Will he remain in the cities, or will he go back, if he can? These questions force themselves into the mind of any one interested in social life. And there is only one answer: "Necessity breaks all laws." The peasant leaves the country because the country drives the peasant away. It barely feeds him, and when it does give him his daily bread, it certainly does not butter it for him. The country in France is like a miniature model of the whole earth: We grow olives at Nice, as they do at Athens; oranges at Cape d'Albi; hoes at Abbeville, as in Germany; apples in Normandy, as in Canada; we raise stock at Pache and Mervan, as in England; we raise fruit in the Rhone Valley; grow flowers in the south; wine growing is at home in France, and barns are full of grain as in no other country in the world. The arms and hands of our French peasants are skilled in all these various forms of labor, but, as often as not, they cannot exist on it. The principal result of this astonishing diversity is the scattering over

a vast district of thousands of people, who only find miserable and irregular employment. Each part of the country has its particular need, and a skilled laborer who is able to do good work in one place is useless six miles away: the gardener, the stock-breeder, the reaper, the sawyer, the weeder of sugar beets—each one is tied to his own small spot, where his work alone is in demand; and besides, the work depends on the season. The men are overworked during summer and have to starve in idleness all through the winter. There are too many people in the country during winter forced to exist as tramps. Official figures show plainly how waves vary, even for those fortunate enough to find steady work; in summer from six to eight francs a day, down to one franc and a half in winter with which to pay for board, clothing and lodging. Here, even less than in the world of industrial labor, the question is not to find a panacea, a result of theory and doctrine, for no such remedy will ever be found. The only remedy to be found is organization of the workers, and that is what we are glad to see the growth of the agricultural labor union in France. Organization cannot abolish all the existing evils, but it can do something to improve the conditions of living of our peasants, and it will at least bring forward new ideas.

There are at present in France more than 4,000 agricultural labor unions with nearly 800,000 members. Much has been said and written in regard to the object and tendencies of these unions. Let us be careful not to mix business and politics. Such as it is, this force exists, it is legitimate and you cannot get rid of it. It may lead to progress and a satisfactory solution of a great problem, and at present we have no right to doubt that it will understand its duty, which is, first of all, to bring about peace among our rural workers. It owes this duty to its members, its country and to itself. When agricultural conditions improve, the whole world will be benefited. People will go back to work in the fields, and the cities will be relieved of a great part of their burden.

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Norwood Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Norwood, Va., June 3.—A large crowd was at the Methodist Church on Sunday for children's day exercises. Mrs. Sue Somerville and Master Bolden Somerville spent last week in Bedford with friends. Miss Essie Cmelundro, of Manteo, spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Jones Turner. Misses Annie Turner and Nattie Cash are making a two weeks' visit to friends in Bluefield. Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Hopkins were the guests here from Saturday until Monday afternoon. Mr. Hopkins filling his appointment on Sunday at Bothany Church. Miss Olive Taylor, of Bedford, is now the guest of Mrs. William Hawkins. Mrs. T. S. Heath and Miss Annie Heath, of Scottsville, are visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Heath here. Miss Mary Roberts is spending some time with Mrs. William Cash, of Midway. Charlie Johnson, after spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Scruggs, left on Thursday for Bluefield and Swords Creek. Dr. G. C. Callaway and Ned Callaway visited Lynchburg last week. Horford Carrio spent Saturday and Sunday at Gilman. Lee Ethron, of Lynchburg, was the guest of friends here from Saturday until Monday night.

Arvonnia Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Arvonnia, Va., June 3.—Miss Kleanor P. Morgan, of this place, a singer of note, has returned to her home here, after spending the winter in Roanoke.

Miss Vaughan, of Cumberland, is visiting at the home of A. J. Terrell. Miss Lila Waller Duval will leave this week to visit her old friend and school mate, Mrs. William F. Horner, of Rosemary, N. C., formerly Miss Alice Maule Jones, of this county. Women of the Presbyterian Church held a delightful lawn party at the manse on Friday afternoon, the proceeds going to the Missionary Society.

Miss Ruby Nicholas has returned to her home here after spending the winter in Charlottesville, where she attended school. Miss Pitts visited Richmond this week.

W. H. Jones, of Columbia, S. C., a prominent educator and publisher, visited his old home at New Store, Buckingham county, this week, on his way from New York to South Carolina. He left his young son, Martin Bellinger, to spend the summer with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Jones.

Miss Gladys Coffey, of Smithfield, and Miss Addie Sharp, of Dallas, Tex., both of whom have been visiting their parents, Miss Fannie Pitts, have returned to their homes.

Miss Cassie Duval has returned to her home here, after spending the winter in Falmouth, where she is a student in the State Female Normal School.

Large congregations have gathered every night since in Trinity Presbyterian Church, New Canton, to hear Rev. W. B. McKelroy preach.

A linen shower was given on Tuesday at Miss Fannie Williams' at her home in honor of Misses Bliss and Louise Williams, who will be married in Richmond at the Second Baptist Church on June 5.

T. B. Weller, of the Arvonnia Inn, visited Scottsville this week.

Miss Minnie Newman Bell, who spent the winter at the home of A. L. Pitts here, returned on Thursday to her home at Mount Sidney, Augusta county, Va.

Miss Miriam Pitts, who attended school at Scottsville during the past session, returned to her home here on Wednesday of this week.

Miss Ethel Hughes has returned to her home from Fork Union Academy, where she was a student last session. Irving Wooten, a well known young man of this place, was recently taken to Richmond to undergo a dangerous operation. He is reported to be doing well.

Buena Vista Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Buena Vista, Va., June 3.—The Confederate Memorial Day exercises took place Friday and were well attended. "Cyclone Jim" Marchant, the orator for the occasion, and an address appropriate to the occasion, and a large number of the citizens of the city were in the procession, and Federal soldiers were decorated. The exercises were in charge of the Winnie Davis Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy. Plans are being made for the annual Fourth of July celebration and tournament. An excellent program has been arranged, and the day will wind up with the coronation ball at night.

The closing exercises of the public school will take place in the Opera House on Monday and Tuesday. Monday evening an entertainment will be held, and on Tuesday morning the address before the graduates will be delivered by Aubrey B. Strode, of Amherst.

Dr. E. H. Howe, of the Southern Seminary, is spending several days at Bowling Green.

Miss Florence Gardner, of Wisconsin, and Miss Marie Franklin, of Elkhorn, W. Va., who have been the guests of the Misses Robey, have returned to their homes.

Miss Anna Johnson, who has been teaching at Jordan Mines, returned to the city Friday.

R. S. McClure, of Roanoke, spent Friday in the city.

Rev. E. B. Strick and A. O. Burks are attending the sessions of the Episcopal Council in Roanoke this week.

Mrs. J. H. Lake and Mrs. T. P. Amels, who have been attending the session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in Roanoke, have returned home.

Mrs. E. B. Strick and Mrs. A. O. Burks are attending the sessions of the Episcopal Council in Roanoke this week.

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